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The faces of Liberty are many and varied--as varied as the personalities of its students. Come with us through the halls and rooms of L.H.S. to observe the moods and the faces of this, our last year. 1969 has been a year of memories--excitement, disappointment, contemplation, laughter, meditation, and expectation. Join us in a trek through Liberty-land and see if it doesn't tear a page from your book of reminiscence. The students of L.H.S. are part of a tradition--one of effort, energy, and empathy.

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THE END . . .



A great man once said that all men must have a dream and that that dream must have a purpose. Liberty High School was a dream-- it was our dream. It had a purpose and we were that purpose. But the dream is now gone. The hopes, joys, tears, and pains of L.H.S. are soon to be nothing but remnants of the past. And we are Liberty. Liberty was dedicated to providing us with the best educational and social link to success in life. It succeeded. L.H.S. is not a mere structure which will

be no more--but, more important, it is the entombment of a single spirit, a spirit which binds the students, the faculty, and the community. 1969 is the last year for our school--the last year for comments of praise or criticisms. But, it makes no difference who you are--a freshman, sophomore, junior or senior--take this yearbook out two, five, ten, or twenty years from now--look, laugh, then remember, and then see if something inside doesn't tell you that L.H.S. was YOUR school. And we are Liberty.



The Way It Was







A HISTORY . . .

There was a quaint, quiet little school built in 1917. It was next to a fire station and both were rather remote--surrounded by mostly only trees, landscape, and clouds. The school had only three upper grades. Any education past this required the transferring to schools called Chesterton and Valparaiso. The first graduating class contained nine proud students. Transportation consisted of one west bound bus. Those students coming east took a "street car". The price was twenty cents a day. The year--1920. In 1929 a high school building was finally built. Color it L.C.H.S.--Liberty Center High School. A lunch program consisted of the mothers grouping together and making home made soup--one day a week. Soon grades 1-8 and 9-12 moved together and teachers taught for the genuine sum of \$100 a month. The next year brought \$5 more. The Liberty Echo Yearbook told of those times. The Moraine tells you of these. . . . In 1969 we are again moving to further our education--just as in 1917. We hope to realize dreams, goals, and ambitions. But we are still Liberty--and we are still proud . . .



ACADEMICS

LIBERTY LIFE 68-69





LIBERTY'S ADMINISTRATION



MR. CALVIN B. KITCHELL was Liberty's principal for the final 1968-1969 year.



Liberty's trustee, DR. E. W. GRIFFITH, did an admirable job for our school.

MR. ROY HARMON handles the activities of the Elementary Department. Serving as principal, he concentrates on grades K through 6.



Liberty's "Mrs. Everything" is MRS. WYCOFF. Responsible for the High School office work, she is our answer to an I.B.M. machine.



MRS. NICHOLSON is Mr. Harmon's "Right Hand Lady" and functions as Elem. secretary.



FINE ARTS



Responsible for all Band, Boys 7th & 8th Grade Chorus, and Music Appreciation I work is MR. CRANE.



MRS. SLIGER teaches High School Chorus and Girls 7th & 8th Grade Chorus.



In charge of both High School and Jr. High Shop is MR. BEIKEY.



Liberty's "Jack of all trades"--MRS. KENDALL--has Home Ec. today.



MR. SPENCER handles Boys P.E. 5-10, Health 9 & 10 and English 9.



MRS. HARTMAN teaches 8th Grade English plus Girls P.E. 5-10 and Health 9 & 10.

Lively gym sessions or tedious music rehearsals, the Fine Arts Department of L.H.S. presented the picture of a well rounded student. The gym, shop, music room, and home economics room aided the development of physical fitness, mechanical skills, homemaking abilities, and aesthetic sensitivity.



MATH SCIENCE HISTORY



MRS. COBB is in charge of Algebra I & II, Bookkeeping, General Business, and also second year Algebra.



MR. BRANT has 7th and 8th grade Math, Math IV & V, American History, and Geometry.



The World History, Government, and Consumer Economic classes are taught by MR. TOWNSEND.



MR. TOWER has the "iron man" role by teaching 7th grade Arithmetic, Physics, Geometry, 8th grade Science and Commercial Math.



Biology and General Science are taught by MR. MORTHLAND.



The Guidance work is handled by MRS. HAYDEN. She also teaches Jr. High Home Economics.

Whether it was a complicated algebra problem, a formula for a chemical compound, or an amendment to a supreme court decision, the departments of math, science, and history sought to teach it in clear, understandable terms.

These facets of our faculty did an outstanding job in transmitting the intricacies of their subjects--and keeping L.H.S. students apace with the changing attitudes, concepts, and standards of present day education.

ENGLISH LIBRARY FOREIGN LANGUAGES



MRS. WALTER instructs English 11-12 and Art, and is also in charge of the Booster Club.



Publications plus Sophomore and 8th grade English are handled by MR. WYCOFF.



MRS. BAKER is the instructor for the Jr. High Spanish, Shorthand, and Typing work.



MISS HILL is the teacher of all H.S. French I, II, and III and Spanish III classes.



MRS. GRIFFITH is responsible for all library work, plus the chores of the audio-visual department.



MRS. HANNON is in charge of Liberty's study hall supervision.

Through the efforts of our English and foreign language departments, all students gained definite insight into originality and creativity. The world of the individualistic, creative person proved to be enjoyable as well as informative. Every outlet of creativity must have a source, and manytimes it exhibited itself in the books, periodicals, records, or reference materials from our library.

Behind the Scenes at L.H.S.



L. to R. Martha Adams, Dorothy Badkey, Mary Lou Hattabaugh, Stella Ribik, Ruth Riegle, Patsy Berndt.



Mr. Keammerer handles all maintenance supervision.



FRONT: B. Kibble, W. Hanrahan, E. Hanrahan, E. Siewert, BACK: E. Esserman, M. Fitch, R. Rhoda, F. Esserman.



The night custodian is Mr. Branham.



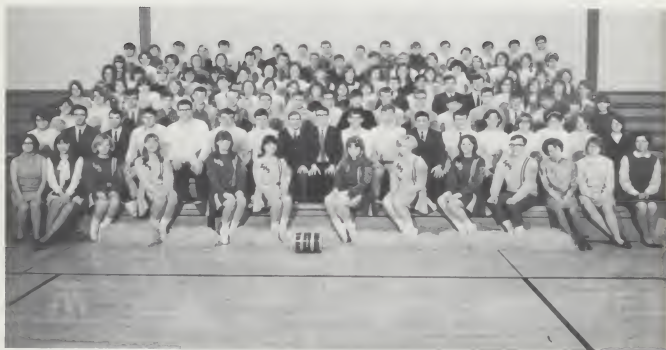
Students unload for another day at L.H.S.

Behind the scenes at L.H.S. gives a candid glimpse of those persons responsible for bringing all facets of service to our school. The cooks, custodians, and bus drivers did an excellent, conscientious job. Seldom given any praise, they assisted in making the day at Liberty an efficient, friendly one. All Liberty students and teachers wish to say thanks for a job (and a year) well done.



ACTIVITIES

BOOSTER CLUB



FRONT (L. to R.) K. Pomeroy, D. Long, K. Hyatt, T. Meska, C. Meska, C. Johnston, L. Corbin, D. Dehart, J. Manning, B. Borg, C. Nickerson, R. Aoams, Mrs. Walter, (R 2) V. Beike, J. Wilson, J. Pope, B. Gropp, E. Feece, C. Heavilin, R. Erickson, L. Garland, D. Smith, G. Martin, R. Schroeder, K. Ruge, W. Link, J. Seymour, K. Nicholson, N. Park, C. Friday, S. Wagner, (R 3), S. Crane, A. Frederick, M. Wilson, J. McGolerick, E. Reich, L. Cawby, D. Niepokoj, R. Jenkins, R. Cornett, S. Kibble, D. Stringer, S. Rex, B. Esserman, M. Beile, B. Newcome, R. Olson, C. Tull, C. Slont, (R 4), P. Collins, B. Green, J. Watson, L. Christensen, N. Smith, K. Gosh, V. Carlson, D. Salisbury, B. Marvin, K. Russel, D. Tuesburg, P. Gunter, D. Marcy, R. Phares, L. Azocar, E. Brickner, B. Ruge, K. McKee, K. Weibl, C. Carlson, S. Cox, (R 5), C. Cornett, C. Estill, B. Curtis, L. Weimer, S. Matanich, T. Garland, E. Martin, D. Carlson, C. Riegle, S. Stringer, M. Pierce, J. Kielpikowski, S. Seymour, D. Prosser, B. McGolerick, V. Poor, L. Yarber, T. Nelson, (R 6), J. Jareo, C. Christensen, S. Still, J. Sampson, L. Gaines, M. Hise, G. Mullins, B. Niepokoj, L. Nelson, M. Brunicon, D. Ruge, J. Weitzel, E. Stockwell, J. Oman, P. Swarner, C. Coffey, J. Marquarot, (R 7), D. Pomeroy, B. Johnson, W. Frank, S. Wallin, R. Abatie, T. Ruge, G. Estill, D. Bettin, J. Gast, D. Hurst, G. Gilmore, R. Marquarot, J. Frank, S. Hurst, O. Boren, W. Abatie, M. Horsefall.

The enthusiasm and energetic spirit of Liberty's Booster Club spurred our athletes on toward victory. Memories of the North County Tourney, county tourney, and sectionals will be remembered as exciting, thrill-packed times. This often started the adrenalin to flow and greater efforts to abound.



We're the Lions Delegation



(FRONT TO BACK): L. Corbin, K. Hyatt, C. Meska, J. Manning.

Throughout the year, the Varsity Cheerleaders were leaders of the "togetherness" attitude at L.H.S. Guiding our fans through victory and defeat, they always set the example for loyalty, sportsmanship, and character. They entertained students with clever, humorous skits and always set the stage for a fired-up pre-game attitude.



Jayne Manning--cheerleader of the future



Cheerleader boost team morale



Our girls incite excitement

We're from Liberty and Couldn't Be Prouder



(FRONT TO BACK): D. Dehart, T. Meska, B. Borg, C. Johnston.

The J.V. Cheerleaders did an inspirational job in leading the spark for a successful 68-69 year. Long, hard hours of practice went into making the moves, jumps, and cheers of the cheerleaders ones of precision and sharpness. "Groovy, groovy, groovy" and "Two Bits" were characteristic of the energy and spirit which they generated.



Deb Dehart and Brian Borg aid team morale



Prof. Borg lectures to mighty Lions



Cheerleaders enjoy their work



Brian Borg reacts to a Lions score



Cynthia takes us back to 1940

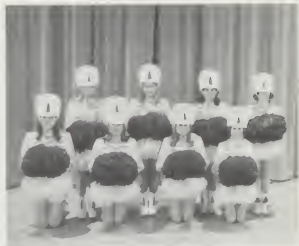


J.V. cheers arouse "Lions Spirit"

Form, Rhythm, Precision



ROW 1: K. McKee, J. Sampson, J. Salas, C. Christensen. ROW 2: C. Carlson, E. Rattray, K. Weibl, S. Anderson, D. Dehart.



ROW 1: J. Blevins, S. Cox, C. Riegle, C. Tull. ROW 2: K. Rattray, C. Coffey, C. Johnston, C. Estill.

The pep band this year was really a "going concern"--when the band played, the team really went. The playing of the "Liberty Valor Song" at a key moment often gave the team the added incentive they needed to win. The band entertained during halftimes and between games, too, pleasing both young and old with their selections. This year's pep band was surrounded by an aura of sentimentality, determination, and loyalty. The band finished the year dramatically with the final playing of our school song.

The Lionettes were an important part of the marching band, adding both beauty and precision. The girls gave an exciting performance at the Liberty Homecoming also this year.



ROW 1: D. Ruge, B. Rhoda, S. Crane, J. Weitzel, T. McCracken, C. Esserman, E. Stockwell, K. Russell. ROW 2: B. Newcome, B. Johnson, R. Griffith, T. Slont, N. Smith, D. Gaines. ROW 3: B. Ruge, L. Matanich, K. Ruge.

Pride Is Being a Lettermen



FRONT (l to r): Mr. Spencer, L. Pope, E. Feece, J. Wilson, B. Gropp, K. Ruge, C. Harris, D. Hurst. ROW 2: R. Cornett, J. Pope, B. Link, D. LaHayne, D. Smith, R. Erickson, B. Neipokoj. ROW 3: C. Heavilin, L. Nelson, E. Reich, T. Martin, D. Stringer, G. Martin, O. Boren, B. Ruge.

The Athletic Council was set up to establish a fair and comprehensive award system. The system they developed is capable of increasing the athlete's performance level and the number of people who participate. The council's purpose after the system was established was to confirm and clear disciplinary actions recommended by the coach. The council is composed of two seniors, two juniors, one sophomore, and one freshman. There are also two girl representatives. One is elected from GAA and the other from Student Council. One of these girls must be a cheerleader.

The Athletic Lettermen's Club is an honorary club. Membership is open to all boys who earn a letter in any sport.



FRONT: E. Martin, Mr. Spencer, C. Meska. BACK: B. Phares, G. Martin, L. Pope.

G.A.A. and Gym Leaders Promote



FRONT (1st) R. Huhn, D. Salsbury, B. Green, T. Nelson, K. Hyatt, D. Dehart, Mrs. Hartman. ROW 2: M. Small, T. Garland, L. Wiemer, R. Adams, L. Pomeroy, V. Poor, D. McGlerick, L. Stockwell. ROW 3: K. Russell, P. Horsfall, J. Marquardt, J. Weitzel, D. Tanner, J. Fuller, S. Coe, M. Allgire, S. Pope, B. Green. ROW 4: S. Crane, J. Watson, D. Marcy, D. Tuesburg, V. Carlson, J. Blevins, L. Esserman, D. Prosser, D. Long, S. Stringer, S. Matanich.



Fun, Leadership

GAA gave the participating girls a chance to enjoy being active in sports and to step out of their usual "spectator" position. In GAA they learned the value of teamwork and good sportsmanship. The Gymleaders helped Mrs. Hartman with her phys. ed. classes, and supervised the group activities. Gymleading developed leadership and responsibility.



FRONT: C. Coffey, D. Stringer, R. Huhn, C. Friday, S. Stringer. BACK: C. Johnston, L. Christensen, B. Griffith, M. Sams, C. Riegle, T. Garland, Mrs. Hartman.

Library Club Gives Enlightenment



Library Club: (l to r): B. Esserman, D. Dehart, C. Estill, V. Beike, Mrs. Griffith, D. Carter, S. Seymore. ROW 2: M. Allgire, C. Tull, C. Alexander, C. Troop, K. Rattray, S. Pope, L. Corbin, R. Pomeroy, S. Hurst. ROW 3: R. Huhn, D. Prosser, D. Ruge, C. Cornett, B. Phares, B. Curtis, W. Abatie, K. Nicholson, P. Sheets, D. Saltburey. ROW 4: J. Manning, B. Green, K. McKee, E. Brickner, J. Kielpikowski, M. Brunican, J. Carmichael, K. Ruge, S. Stringer, E. Axley. ROW 5: B. Ruge, M. Beile, R. Erickson, M. Hlse, C. Heavilin, E. Feece, O. Boren, G. Hurst, W. Feece, L. Cawby, D. Case.

Mrs. Griffith, our librarian, President Virginia Beike, Vice-President Brian Esserman, and Secretary Debbie Dehart led our Library Club to a successful, rewarding year. The club consists of students who are concerned with making our library a more complete, competent one. Taking a trip to the Science and Industry Building in Chicago, sponsoring the Liberty Book Fair plus the Ice Cream machine were a few of the activities of the group.



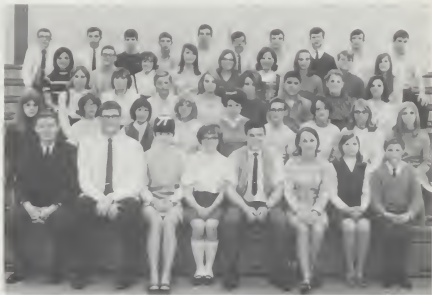
Campus Life Means Insight



Campus Life Club: ROW 1 (l to r): G. Polsgrove--Director, E. Feece, G. Kissinger, D. Tanner, K. Ruge, D. Salsburey, L. Stockwell, S. Hurst. ROW 2: L. Corbin, S. Wagner, S. Pope, B. Green, N. Park, R. Swisher, P. Collins, J. Oman, C. Pierce. ROW 3: J. Rak, C. Esserman, R. Griffith, E. Ratray, S. Still, D. Case, N. Smith, M. Allgire. ROW 4: I. Salas, G. Rex, D. Tuesburg, J. Blevins, K. McKee, D. Carlson, B. Green, B. Frank, K. Weibl. ROW 5: B. Neipokoj, E. Brickner, S. Kibble, L. Nelson, J. Wilson, O. Boren, M. Wilson, B. Ruge, M. Hise, R. Erickson.

The Campus Life Club was one of the most active clubs at Liberty. We will all remember the days . . . the funspiration, the pie machine, the electric chair, the skits, and the other swinging activities. The "newly steady" game and many other events made Campus Life the most popular of all clubs. However, the laughter was only a fragment of the total effect of the program. Life, religion, and the reasons for existence were pondered--as everyone learned to laugh at--as well as to evaluate--himself.

Director Gordy Polsgrove did an outstanding job both as a leader and as the spark of inspiration for all Liberty students. President Eddie Feece and Vice-Presidents Debbie Tanner, Glenda Kissenger, and Ken Ruge gave the group guidance and direction. Campus Life seemed to unite the student body in this its last year.



ROW 1 (l to r): G. Polsgrove--Director, C. Johnston, L. Wiemer, S. Crane, V. Poor, D. Dehart, C. Estill, C. Nickerson. ROW 2: S. Wallin, R. Huhn, C. Tull, J. Wietzel, C. Carlson, K. Williams, G. Estill, T. Ruge. ROW 3: C. Doler, S. Anderson, L. Gaines, J. Sampson, R. Kissinger, D. Hernstrom, J. Watson, J. Seymore. ROW 4: R. Stubbs, B. Griffith, E. Martin, J. Kieplikowski, J. Pope, C. Riegle, R. Abatie, B. Johnson, L. Pope. ROW 5: B. Esserman, A. Fredrick, D. Smith, B. Gropp, D. Stringer, G. Martin, C. Heavilin, W. Feece, R. Cornett, G. Hurst.

Foresight Aids Education



FRONT: J. Oman, D. Ruge, Mrs. Baker, B. Borg, E. Martin. SECOND: P. Jared, R. Huhn, C. Esserman, P. Horsfall, K. Russell, N. Park. BACK: C. Meska, K. McKee, A. Frederick, E. Feece, O. Boren, N. Smith, S. Still.

The Future Nurses began their year by taking a trip to South Bend. They toured a nursing school and hospital while they were there, increasing their knowledge of the profession they are to enter. The week before Thanksgiving found them collecting the various items which make up a Thanksgiving dinner. These items were then donated to a needy family so they could enjoy their holiday. During the year, the members took turns supervising the health room.



ROW 1: B. Curtis, C. Cornett, D. Dehart, R. Huhn, T. Garland. ROW 2: R. Pomeroy, E. Axley, B. McGolerick, K. Gosch, Mrs. Kendall. ROW 3: V. Poor, C. Johnston, P. Sheets, K. Harris, L. Corbin, C. Es-till, S. Wallin. ROW 4: C. Christensen, J. Manning, D. Carter, S. Matanich, M. Small, L. Yarber, C. Tull, J. Jared, C. Doler. ROW 5: N. Smith, P. Swarner, D. Tuesberg, D. Reich, V. Carlson, M. Sams, M. Pierce, D. Long, D. Marcy, C. Slont.

The Future teachers spent a busy year participating in various activities. They worked with the grade school teachers as teachers-aides. They have taken on this task very seriously and have done a very excellent job. The members also took a trip to Elkart to see a special education program. This program allowed them to view the various types of special education and see what methods were used to help the children. This spring the students went "all out" on a money earning drive. They sold stationery and had bake sales at school and at Ruge's. They put all this money to good use by taking a trip to the National Future Teachers' Convention in Indianapolis. At the convention they met new friends and had "a lot of fun and no sleep."

Language: the Key to Understanding



ROW 1: Loretta Gaines, T. Renner, C. Weibl, J. Fitch, D. Salsbury, T. White, E. Stockwell, C. Newcome. ROW 2: C. Doler, P. Brunicon, S. Marbin, C. Friday, S. Crane, J. Oman, C. Johnston, K. Nickerson, T. Ruge, Miss Hill. ROW 3: C. Carlson, L. Carlson, J. Watson, S. Seymour, K. Nicholson, N. Park, W. Abatie, C. Coffey, J. Weitzel, B. Rhoda. ROW 4: K. McKee, S. Still, G. Rex, P. Swarner, T. Corbin, E. Rattray, D. Hernstrom, T. McCracken, K. Weibl. ROW 5: R. Abatie, S. Rex, B. Link, A. Fredrick, D. Stringer, J. Wilson, D. Smith, R. Erickson, B. Esserman, K. Smith.

The French Club and Spanish Club concentrated on providing good times and discussions about their respective fields. The Spanish Club sponsor, Mrs. Baker, felt that the year was especially profitable in that the students saw foreign language as enjoyment as well as hard work. Miss Hill, the French Club sponsor, tried to exhibit the appropriate atmosphere by planning a trip to Chicago where the group would dine at "Le Petite Gourmet" - famous for its French authenticity.

ROW 1: (l to r) B. Borg, D. Tanner, R. Adams, C. Johnston, L. Corbin, C. Estill, Mrs. Baker. ROW 2: C. Carlson, K. Williams, S. Stringer, J. Reich, B. Green, M. Allgire, S. Pope, D. Ruge. ROW 3: D. Marcy, R. Carr, B. Frank, L. Christensen, C. Cornett, C. Meska, J. Manning, S. Anderson, J. Pope, P. Jared, L. Pope, J. Sampson, V. Carlson, D. Carlson, E. Martin, J. Seymour. ROW 4: A. Christensen, C. Heavilin, L. Nelson, B. Gropp, T. Martin, G. Martin, M. Hise, B. Newcome, R. Olson.



Liberty Leaders Unite



ROW 1, L to R: C. Estill, B. Phares, L. Pope, B. Borg. ROW 2: C. Coffey, D. Dehart, J. Oman, C. Johnston. ROW 3: K. McKee, E. Martin, C. Rex, R. Huhn, B. Green, C. Carlson, E. Rattray. ROW 4: B. Esserman, E. Brickner, B. Gropp, E. Feece, J. Wilson, R. Cornett, B. Ruge.

National Honor Society spent an active year. They started off the school year by inducting seven new members, six sophomores and one senior. At Christmas the members celebrated by having a party at Connie's house. Because of some unexpected (but welcome) guests, a pool table, a game called "Careful", and plenty of food, it was a great success. As spring approached, the senior members hurried to plan their annual Spring Banquet. The dinner was held at Marrell's and three new sophomore members were inducted. The guest speaker was Mr. Siegesmund.

The Student Council in 1968-69 operated under slightly different conditions than in previous years. With the coming of a new administration, the council became a more student-orientated organization. One of the council's better projects this year was the addition of a quiet-game room.

With the consolidation, the Liberty student council worked closely at times last year with the councils of Jackson and Chesterton in an attempt to unify the councils as well as the schools.

ROW 1: Connie Meska, Ellen Rattray, Candace Doler, Pam Swarner, Mrs. Hayden. ROW 2: Beverly Green, Sherry Crane, Janice Oman, Cynthia Johnston, Elizabeth Stockwell. ROW 3: Nancy Park, Sharon Seymour, Steve Rex, Evelyn Martin, Karen Weibl, Jackie Weitzel.



Homemaking, Service Go Together



(ROW 1) L. to R. D. Dehart, S. Wallin, R. Pomroy, Mrs. Wycoff. (ROW 2) K. Williams, S. Still, C. Doler, S. Anderson, P. Kolic. (ROW 3) C. Cornett, D. Long, A. Frederick, K. Slont, P. Horsfall, P. Jared.

Office aides give up their study halls to help in the office. They function as general errand girls, collecting absentee slips, taking lunch counts, and occasionally taking teachers classes who are out of class. They make themselves generally helpful around the office and are always ready to take over temporarily. They run off copies for forgetful teachers and type out the "inspiring" morning announcements.

The Home Ec Club's purpose is to prepare girls for their future in homemaking. They receive instruction in cooking, sewing, and child care. The club is sponsored by Mrs. Sheets.

(ROW 1) Mrs. Kendall, B. Curtis, C. Cronett, J. Sampson, R. Pomeroy, D. Marcy, S. Matanich. (ROW 2) T. Garland, L. Wiemer, L. Yarber, K. Pomeroy, V. Poor, D. Dehart, L. Corbin, C. Johnston, B. McGolerick, E. Axely, C. Estill, P. Sheets. (ROW 3) J. Fuller, S. Crane, C. Meska, K. Nicholson, C. Coffey, R. Huhn, C. Tull, P. Collins, B. Green, K. Hyatt, C. Troup, S. Wallin. (ROW 4) N. Park, D. Long, L. Christensen, D. Carter, M. Pierce, K. Slont, J. Marquardt, A. Berndt, P. Horsfall, K. Russell, M. Small, S. Pope. (ROW 5) J. Watson, V. Carlson, M. Allgire, C. Riegle, K. Weibl, K. McKee, M. Sams, J. Blevins, D. Reich, S. Still, S. Anderson, J. Manning, C. Christensen, R. Dills.



Publication Work Takes Time, Dedication

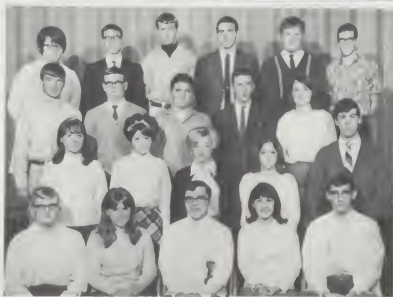


ROW 1 (L to R): V. Beike, S. Wallin, P. Swarner, S. Anderson, C. Doler, Mr. Wycoff (Sponsor). ROW 2: B. Ruge, E. Brickner, E. Feece, B. Gropp, B. Phares.

The Publications Department combined time and energy for school service. Many individuals did outstanding jobs in functioning as "take charge guys" to get the work accomplished. Many times faced with other school activities and jammed schedules, the publications staff still made the deadlines and contributed to L.H.S. initiative. The annual staff worked several extra hours to prepare the yearbook and to prove to everyone that Liberty's 1968-1969 yearbook was the best of all.



(ROW 1) L. to R. D. Ruge, L. Corbin, B. Borg, C. Johnston, G. Martin. (ROW 2) C. Meska, N. Park, D. Dehart, R. Pomroy, Mr. Wycoff. (ROW 3) R. Olson, S. Rex, D. Case, L. Pope, P. Swarner. (ROW 4) V. Beike, D. Smith, D. Stringer, J. Wilson, W. Feece, R. Cornett.



Class Tourney Brings Thrills . . .



No, it's not a pre-game war chant, but anxiety for a rebound.



Al Christensen puts up two points.

Class tourneys provided a means for displaying hidden talent and class spirit. They brought out the determination of everyone to prove that his class was truly the best at Liberty. In rough, rugged contests, the sophomores came through with both the girl's and boy's championships--although the boys were almost beaten by a sneaky play by the seniors. Best player awards went to Trinkia Nelson and Wally Jackson. The good sportsmen of the tourneys were Carol Riegle and Gary Hurst.

and Spills!



Mr. Eggers looks on nonchalantly as team members attack opposing player.



Pam Swarner craftily handles ball.

They Might Have Said . . .



Can't they find any more chairs inside?



Cecil, PLEASE wake up!



Mrs. Hartman, how long do I have to stay here?



Break at 3--pass it on.



CHEESE!



Get dressed--we'll get 'em outside.



You boys will COOK and like it.



I used Nutriment, and look at me.



Cee, I wish I was as good as the other guys.



What dress code?



Wow! Who's that new girl?



Bruce, honey, where are you?



Who, me?

THE MUSIC DEPARTMENT BRINGS



FINE

FLUTES

Sheryl Crane
Jackie Weitzel
Sue Pope
Jane Manning
Cindy Weible
Diane Hernstrom
Peggy Beile
Anna Frederick
Cindy Cox
Debbie Coss

OBOE

Renee Huhn

BASSOONS

Phyllis Sheets
Elizabeth Stockwell

BARITONES

Don Ruge
Raymond Griffith

CLARINETS

Earl Brickner

Janice Oman

Terry Meska
Mary Allgire
Karen Russel
Debbie Salsbury
Terry McCracken
Steve Van DeWater
Jackie Fitch
Sheryl Pasarski
Paula Bradford
Kathy Erickson
Kathy Phares
Sheila Wagner
Dan Misch

TROMBONES

Bruce Newcome
Brian Esserman
Tom Ruge
Bruce Johnson
Todd Matanich

BASES

Ed Feece
Ken Ruge

ALTO SAXOPHONES

Nancy Park
Duane Ruge
Janet Seymour
Allen Burress
Cindy Newcome
Bob Rhoda

TENOR SAXOPHONES

Bob Phares
Brenda Griffith
Ronald Poor

BARITONE SAXOPHONE

Trinka Nelson

FRENCH HORNS

Loretta Gaines
Candy Doler
Joan Kielpikowski
Martha Claypool

ALTO AND BASS CLARINETS

Pam Swarner

Dolores Tuesburg

Warren Feece
Evelyn Martin
Kathy Frederick

TRUMPETS

Tom Slont
Dave Smith
Bill Link
Roy Shroeder
Ron Cornet
Nancy Smith
Dan Niepokoj
Steve Niepokoj
James Kolosky
Don Gaines

PERCUSSION

Bruce Ruge
Larry Pope
Lee Matanich
Gary Martin
John Prosser

TO AN END... A DECADE OF



MUSIC

The Liberty Band spent an entertaining but devoted 68-69 year under the able direction of Mr. James Crane. Participating in the N.I.S.B.O.V.A. Marching Contest, the United Fund Parade in Valparaiso, the Fourth of July Parade in Chesterton, and the Valpo University Homecoming Parade, Liberty's marching genius exhibited itself. Many hours of tedious practice were needed to make the professional quality which is characteristic of all the band performances. This quality gained a well deserved first and a sweepstakes award for Liberty during the month of October in Ft. Wayne.



Mr. Crane listens for any music flaws.

Singing Produces Entertainment



(ROW 1 l. to r.) L. Weimer, C. Coffey, E. Stockwell, P. Kolic, C. Doler, L. Gaines, B. Phares, D. Ruge, S. Crane, P. Swarner, K. Williams, M. Allgire, K. Nicholson, D. Tanner, Mrs. Sliger. (ROW 2) C. Johnston, S. Wagner, R. Adams, D. Tiesburg, K. Weibl, K. McKee, I. Salas, P. Sheets, C. Carlson, K. Russell, S. Pope, D. Carlson, K. Hyatt, J. Weitzel, D. Hernstrom. (ROW 3) C. Esserman, D. Salsburey, B. Green, C. Christensen, T. Meska, E. Martin, S. Van De Water, R. Swisher, A. Christensen, M. Hise, G. Rex, C. Meska, N. Park, J. Blevins, A. Frederick, J. Seymour, N. Smith. (ROW 4) V. Beike, R. Abatie, R. Olson, B. Frank, B. Newcome, R. Cornett, S. Rex, B. Ruge, T. Martin, L. Pope, G. Martin, D. Smith, B. Gropp, P. Jared, K. Ruge, B. Borg.

The Chorus had a very active and successful year. They exhibited enthusiasm and life in their singing. At Christmas they presented a Christmas pageant. This was done under a major handicap because a great number of chorus members were sick and unable to sing. After Christmas the chorus started working on their contest music. They worked diligently and at contest they presented their audience with a thrilling performance. The Belles and Beaus sang at school convocations and enjoyed doing light, modern songs. They also performed at two women's Club Meetings and were highly complimented for their work.

(ROW 1) L. to R. Mrs. Sliger, C. Doler, K. Nicholson, C. Coffey, S. Crane, C. Johnston. (ROW 2) S. Pope, D. Ruge, P. Swarner, G. Rex, B. Phares, L. Gaines, B. Borg. (ROW 3) K. Ruge, V. Beike, G. Martin, T. Martin, D. Smith, A. Frederick, J. Seymour.



Music Means Happiness



Students organize for a needed band practice.



An unorganized band is made into an organized practice.



D. Dehart tells the Lionettes to watch their lines.



Some advertisement for the play helped.



The Belles & Beaus finish some entertainment.

Liberty's Memories . . .



Above; The crowd watches queen candidate Debbie Dehart. Right; Team prepares for Hebron clash.



Candidates for Homecoming were as follows: Debbie Dehart, Jr., Karlene McKee, Sr., Nancy Park, Jr., Cindy Estill, Jr., Candy Doler, Sr., Carolyn Carlson, Sr., Connie Meska, Jr., Cynthia Johnston, Soph.



Middle; Anxiety mounts as the moment draws near. Karlene McKee (left) and Candy Doler (right) give poise to the evenings festivities.



'68 Homecoming



Queen Cindy and escort Cecil Jenkins.



Happiness is exhibited by Homecoming winners.



Cindy Estill shows grace and personality.



Mr. Crane and band put on their usual outstanding performance.

One of the final highlights of the year for Liberty Twp. High School was the long awaited Homecoming. The Student Council worked very hard to make Liberty's Homecoming one to remember and they did a fine job. Friday, February 7, started things off with an exciting game with our greatest rival school, Hebron, at which time queen candidates and our 1968 Homecoming Queen, Shirley Black, were escorted to the stage. Even though the Lions lost, the alumni got a good chance to reminisce about the "good old days," and enthusiasm began to build. Two dances were held on Saturday night for the enjoyment of all, one in the cafeteria with music by the "Drifters," and for the younger people a little faster music was provided by the "Theatre of Mind" in the gymnasium. After a fine performance by Liberty's own comedian, Owen Boren, the big moment approached and at 10:00 p.m. Cindy Estill was announced as the 1969 Homecoming Queen. Her court was as follows:

First runner-up, Nancy Park;
Second runners-up, Cynthia Johnston, Connie Meska;
Miss Congeniality was awarded to Carolyn Carlson marking the end to Liberty's last Homecoming, never to be forgotten.



Candidates and 1968 Homecoming Queen Shirley Black await the crowning.

Wonderfulness—

After enjoying a dinner at Jonynas Hall the Juniors and Seniors returned to school to cross "Over the Rainbow." As they entered they were announced to the people in "OZ", after which they crossed over the bridge. The main attraction in the beautifully decorated gym was the fountain in the center, which contained several large gold fish. The stage had become the castle of OZ and the yellow brick road ran the length the gym to the castle's door. The couples added to the enchantment by looking like they belonged "Over the Rainbow" in their formal dress. The grand march was climaxed by the crowning of the King, Queen, Prince, and Princess. The prince was Chuck Heavilin and the princess was Kris McKee. Jeff Wilson was crowned King and the honor of being Queen for the last Liberty prom was given to Loretta Gaines. At the end of the prom many of the small carriable decorations were taken home for souvenirs. This was the final prom and will always stay in our memories as an enchanted evening in Oz.



The parents enjoyed the prom together



"And the band played on."



The yellow brick road occupied the center floor



Gary and Charlyce enjoy the atmosphere



The "bee-hive" was another great attraction

"Over the Rainbow"



Prom Court--1969

Prom Court of 1969
King--Jeff Wilson
Queen--Loretta Gaines
Prince--Chuck Heavilin
Princess--Kris McKee



Juniors enjoyed their work



The castle was one of the highlights



Prom has storybook image



Gold fishing proves fun for some



Louie and Cindy "sit one out"



Refreshments were served from the "beehive"



The fish pond was the center of attraction

River City, Iowa . . .



B. Cropp, N. Smith: Togetherness was in this year's play.

Harold Hill	David Smith
Marian Paroo	Sherry Crane
Mayor Shinn	Donald Ruge
Eulalie Mackecknie Shinn	Anna Frederick
Marcellius Washburn	Bryan Borg
Ethel Toffelmier	Virginia Beike
Jacey Squires	Greg Rex
Ewart Dunlop	Earl Brickner
Oliver Hix	Ken Ruge
Olin Britt	Tom Martin
Charlie Cowell	Bob Phares
Mrs. Paroo	Loretta Gaines
Winthrop Paroo	Bill Adams
	Steve Hultquist
Amaryllis	Kathy Phares
Tommy Dylas	Larry Pope
Zaneeta Shinn	Elizabeth Stockwell
Gracie Shinn	Sheila Wagner
Mrs. Squires	Cynthia Johnston
Maud Dunlop	Pam Swarner
Alma Hix	Evelyn Martin



The traveling salesmen argue in Scene I.



Dave Smith listens carefully at a rehearsal.



Bruce Ruge jumps carefully on to a play prop.



S. Wagner takes a peek from behind her River City parents.

Liberty Township



Members of the cast display their early 20th century costumes.



D. Ruge, D. Case, show acting abilities.



B. Borg & V. Beike show that they make a great couple off stage, too.

The weeks of rehearsal were finally over and the curtain was about to go up. The students had changed from members of Liberty High School to citizens of River City, Iowa. People standing in corners went over their lines one last time and then the orchestra started to play. "Music Man" went well and the work put into it was made worthwhile by the end result. The cast worked hard, but still managed to have a lot of fun. Many things went on that the audience was never aware of, things that the cast will always remember. Very few mistakes were made and those that occurred were well concealed. Backstage--the stage crew and lighting men worked extra hard with no recognition, but without them it would have been nothing. Also, there were those who helped on make-up, costumes, and props. The audience may not think of these people, but the cast won't forget them. When the curtain closed for the last time on Saturday night, it was hard to realize it was over, but we knew it would always remain as a happy memory.



C. Carlson shows some off-stage antics.



Girls enjoy the company of R. Swisher.

Era of Excellence



The boys rehearse the library scene.



Our child stars--Bill Adams, K. Phares, and Steve Hultquist.

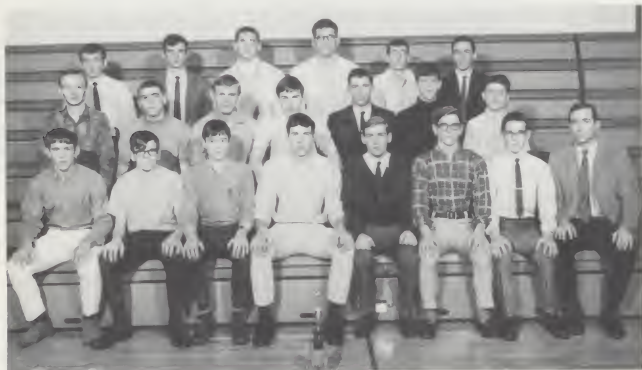
"Ethel" practices with
"Marce."





SPORTS

Liberty Batsmen Gain Final Victories



ROW 1 (L to R): F. Briggs, R. Kissinger, K. Smith, B. Gropp, L. Garland, T. Corbin, R. Swisher, Mr. Spencer. ROW 2: L. Cawby, D. Nepokoj, R. Jenkins, R. Erickson, J. Pope, S. Kibble, D. Bettin. ROW 3: B. Link, M. Wilson, T. Martin, E. Feece, G. Martin, L. Pope.



Ray Erickson "rattles" the pitcher.



An opposing batter "swings and misses."

This year's baseball team was again (and the final time) one of the best in the county. The fall team ended the season in a three-way tie for first place with Kouts and Hebron. Our only loss was to Hebron, giving us a record of 6--1.

The spring team was even more successful. A final victory was gained over Hebron--our last revenge. The team's only loss came in the final game of the sectional and was handed to us by East Gary. Our record for the spring season was 8--1.



E. Feece and M. Hise keep morale high.



B. Link crosses the plate.



D. Niepokoj sprints for home.



G. Martin calls the signals.



T. Corbin awaits the pitch.



Big Ed covers first base.

Two Miles—Then Victory

The Cross Country Team for 68-69 was the best team that Liberty had seen for many years. It acquired the first winning record for a Liberty Cross Country team since the early 1960's.

Under the very capable coaching of Mr. Spencer, the team won 8 and lost 5. Improvement over the teams of the past was shown in the depth provided by the first seven runners. The winning spirit was shared by all team members. Our boys worked extremely hard in preparing for the competition, trying to establish their winning tradition.



A confident team relaxes before the meet

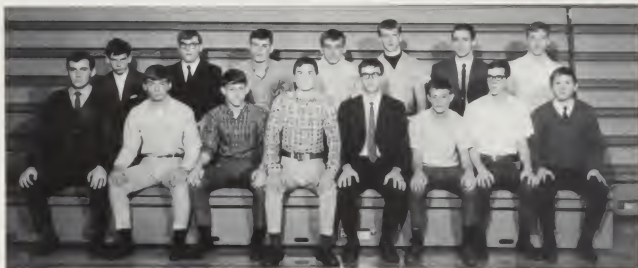
Lost	Wanatah	Here
Won	Kouts	There
Won	Westville	There
Lost	Hebron	There
3rd	Liberty Invitation	
Lost	Boone Grove	There
Won	Kouts, Morgan, Liberty	Valpo U.
Lost	Hebron, Wheeler, Liberty	Valpo U.
Won	Jackson, Washington, Liberty	Valpo U.
Won	East Gary	Here
Won	Boone Grove	Valpo U.
4th	PCC Meet	Forest Park
2nd	Bi-County	Forest Park
15th	Sectional	Hobart



Ron Cornett finishes strong



Chuck (Hondo) Heavlin has his own style



ROW 1, L. to R. Mr. Spencer, (Coach), R. Olson, J. McGolerick, M. Beile, D. Smith, D. Hurst, R. Cornett, B. Phares. ROW 2: T. Ruge, D. Lahayne, E. Reich, C. Heavlin, D. Stringer, J. Wilson, R. Schroeder.

All Can Play



Hondo and Don keep loose.



Jeff Medema drives the center.



D. Smith "pours it on" for finish.



M. Horsfall
as the
("striped
defender").

Tuesday night action was fun, but competition as intramurals concentrated on providing those boys not in varsity sports a chance to play basketball. Between 15 to 20 boys participated. Mr. Wycoff was in charge. Six awards were given on awards day for those individuals displaying ability, cooperation, and leadership.

ROW I; (1 to r) M. Lucas, S. Hurst, G. Estill, W. Beike, G. Hurst, Mr. Wycoff. ROW II; T. Walstra, K. Smith, S. Lyons, D. Garland, J. Medema, C. Matanich. (ROW III) J. Frank, A. Christensen, L. Nelson, M. Horsfall, O. Boren, G. Hurst, S. Rex.



We Looked Fine in '68-'69

Liberty	66	Wanatah	60
Liberty	69	Westville	93
Liberty	69	S. Central	82
Liberty	85	Washington	74
Liberty	72	Wheeler	67
Liberty	62	Wheatfield	61

North County Tourney

Liberty	96	Washington	94
Liberty	87	Jackson	85
Liberty	72	LaCrosse	60
Liberty	54	Boone Grove	35
Liberty	65	Kouts	49
Liberty	75	Marquette	81
Liberty	77	La Lumiere	39

County Tourney

Liberty	76	Morgan	50
Liberty	61	Hebron	62
Liberty	69	Jackson	57
Liberty	66	Hebron	80
Liberty	76	Morgan	61
Liberty	60	Kewanna	51
Liberty	99	Hanover	101

Sectional

Liberty	44	Valparaiso	79
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T. Martin takes off



Keg: symbol of Lion power



Mr. Spencer nervously awaits varsity game

The 68-69 season was the last for the Liberty Lions and, coupled with the fact that we had possibly the greatest Lion team ever, was filled with the most victories and excitement that Liberty has seen in quite a few years.

The schedule itself was exciting last year. The Lions began the season by winning only 2 games of the first 4 (all away). After gaining once again the security of our own gym, however the Lions went on an 8-game winning streak.

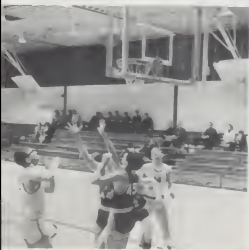
As any member of a team will tell you, team spirit and determination are necessary to a winning team--and the Lions certainly had this kind of attitude.

At the beginning of the year, the Lions set goals for themselves. Their two objectives were: to win 14 games and to win the county tourney. Their first goal was realized, and although they lost the County Tourney by one point, they gave it everything they had. The 1968-69 Lion team was definitely one which deserves recognition.

Pure Strength



KNEELING L. to R.: K. Ruge, S. Rex, Coach Spencer, W. Feece, M. Horsfall. STANDING: L. Pope, J. Pope, B. Link, R. Schroeder, G. Martin, E. Feece, T. Martin, J. Wilson, B. Gropp, C. Heavlin, D. Smith, R. Erickson.





Bill Link blocks a taller Valpo opponent.



Fans back team with intense loyalty.

The Lions team in '68-'69 was gifted with more than average height. In fact, two of the biggest reasons for the Lions great record were Ed Feece and Tom Martin. Nobody outrebounded the Lions with Tom and Ed on the court. Ed was a senior this year but Tom will be back next year to play on the Chesterton courts.



Ed Feece is all concentration.



Team warms up for a big game.



Tom Martin solos.

... Speed, Stamina



Jeff Wilson puts it up.



Bruce Gropp pops a long one.



Right place at the right time.

While the Lions were gifted with height, they were also gifted with speed and agility. The best example of this was our "Chinese Army"--Ray Ericson, Chuck Heavlin, Bill Link, Larry Pope, Dave Smith, and Roy Schroeder.

The "army" knew when they went into a game that they had only one purpose--to run the opponents relentlessly.



Lions play rough, aggressive ball.

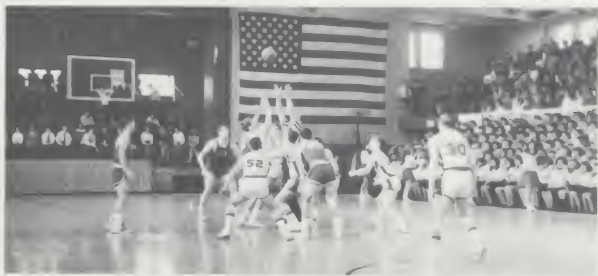


Tom Martin clears the board.



Ed Feece maneuvers for position.

Lions Sparkle in Final Tourney



Tension mounts at opening tip-off.

Liberty's Lions, playing in their final P.C.C. tourney, fought bravely but were defeated in their semifinal game. The Lions, who were co-favorites to win (with Hebron), defeated the Morgan Cherokees in their first game and gained their chance to meet Hebron on Saturday. The Hawks-Lions game was a see-saw battle with a fired-up Hawk team winning on a last-second shot. Although the Lions failed in their final bid for a tourney championship, the effort put forth by the team and the inspiration and enthusiasm shown by Liberty fans made Liberty's last tournament one to be proud of.



Tom Martin eyes Hawk shooter.



Lions fight to gain control.



A dejected Lion team leaves the floor.

Our J. V. — Duneland's Future



Liberty J.V. fights for tip.



Lions exhibit well deserved North Country Trophy.

Liberty	48	Wanatah	40
Liberty	42	Westville	51
Liberty	32	South Central	53
Liberty	47	Washington	44
Liberty	52	Wheeler	45
Liberty	45	Wheatfield	39
Liberty	40	LaCrosse	28
Liberty	46	Boone Grove	66

J. V. Tourney

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Liberty	56	Washington	36
Liberty	47	Kouts	39
Liberty	39	Marquette	55
Liberty	35	La Lumiere	38
Liberty	42	Jackson	23
Liberty	62	Hebron	54
Liberty	52	Morgan	48
Liberty	67	Kewanna	48
Liberty	36	Hanover	45



Mark Wilson prepares for referee's toss.

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Winning Is Wonderful!



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Don Stringer rips a rebound while John McGlerick sets. (below)



Action is fierce in late minutes.

Freshman Basketball

Liberty	28	Kouts	32
Liberty	31	E. Gary	64
Liberty	38	Hanover	48
Liberty	44	Hebron	53

FRONT L. to R. Mr. Tower, G. Estill. BACK ROW D. Bettin, R. Swisher, T. Corbin, F. Briggs, R. Cornet, S. Kibble.



GRAPPLERS EXHIBIT ENERGY, GUTS



(ROW 1) L. to R. Mr. Brandt, B. Niepokoj, R. Olson, B. Newcome, M. Hise, D. Lahayne, B. Ruge. (ROW 2) I. Matanich, B. Esserman, W. Abatie, R. Stubbs, P. Jared, T. Ruge, D. Miller.

The wrestling team had a determined but frustrating season under the leadership of Mr. Brant. The boys worked hard but seemed to lack the experience. Although their record wasn't impressive, individuals such as Doug LaHayne and Bruce Niepokoj did jobs worth mentioning. They didn't compete in Sectional action but all Liberty students agreed that a good showing would have been exhibited.

(Bottom left) Action is fierce as a Liberty wrestler works for a pin.

(Right) Doug LaHayne reverses for a "switch"

(Bottom right) Dave Miller works to escape





"Tank" crushes his opponent



Dave Hurst attempts a "sit-out crawl fish"



Bruce Newcome works for a "switch out"



The Spider wraps a web around his prey



Tom Ruge struggles for an "escape"

Statistics

Liberty	21	Chesterton	33
Liberty	10	Hanover Central	42
Liberty	13	North Judson	43
Liberty	13	La Lumiere	45
Liberty	15	Valparaiso "B"	38
Liberty	18	Aglesworth	30
Liberty	30	Kouts	22
Liberty	6	Hanover Central	41
Liberty	15	La Porte "B"	41
Liberty	5	North Judson	53

"Runners, Take Your Mark . . ."



Boys and Mr. Spencer discuss strategy.



Teamwork means helping each other.



Confidence is part of victory.

The Liberty track team this year was one of the smallest but at the same time the most powerful and productive teams we've seen in recent years.

While the boys didn't come out for track in great numbers, those who did brought with them great enthusiasm.

One of the biggest reasons for the Lions' success was the fact that many of the underclassmen came through very well.

Chesterton, who had a very fine track team, may very well improve next year with the aid of some great Liberty trackmen.



D. Stringer prepares for mile run.

880 Relay Team Shines



R. Jenkins finishes second in 220.



Ron leaves track victoriously.



R. Erickson shows his style.



R. Cornett and J. Wilson conserve energy.



R. Jenkins finishes second in 100.

The track team finished the year with a good record. This is a great tribute to the effort that the team put forth. Much was done in the way of individual effort, also. Among those who "starred" this year were the members of the 880-yd. relay team. This year's relay team was the best in Liberty's history, setting a new school record. The members of the team were Ron Jenkins, Dan Niepokoj, Jeff Wilson, and Ron Cornett.

TO DRIVE, TO PUTT,



L to R: C. Platten, T. Esserman, B. Ruge, K. Ruge, T. Ruge, R. Swisher

The golf team was one of the most well rounded teams that Liberty has had in its short history. The golfers had some fine underclassmen in their ranks. They came through when the upperclassmen needed them. The team didn't have the best records because they played larger schools in our community. Mr. Brant's coaching ability was a valuable asset to the team. These golfers should improve Chesterton's golf team considerably.

Medalist: Ken Ruge



Most Outstanding Senior: Bruce Ruge



AND TO COMPETE



R. Swisher



B. Esserman



B. Ruge



The Team



G. Platten



T. Ruge

Lions Who Roared . . .



T. Martin, L. Pope, G. Martin--All-Conference in baseball.



Lion's board strength.



Poetry in motion



Girls add color to class tourney.



David Smith leads C.C. charge.



Congratulations after a "pin"



Don Stringer loosens up for track meet.



K. Ruge and B. Esserman inspired golfers.



J.V. monopolizes play



Ray Erickson gives victory sign

Pride in School . . . and Self



Left: Larry Pope; Most Valuable, Baseball.
Tom Martin; Most RBI's and Batting Champ.



Right: Doug LaHayne; Most Outstanding senior in wrestling, Bruce Niepokoj; Most Outstanding Wrestler.



This is a special salute to our most outstanding and devoted athletes. We were proud to have Liberty represented by athletes such as these.

Left: Ed Feece; Free Throw percentage, Tom Martin; Most valuable, and most improved. Bill Link; Most Improved.

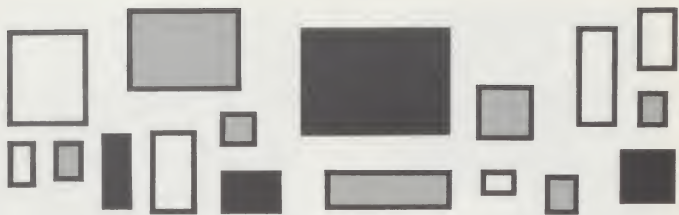
Right: Ron Cornett; Most Improved--CC. Bob Phares; High Point Man, Most Valuable--CC.



Left: Bruce Ruge; Most Valuable--Golf. Ken Ruge; Medalist for Golf.

Right: 880-Relay Team Championship.

. . . *This page is to be signed by your special someone:*



CLASSES

Hard Work Proves Profitable



Cynthia Johnston: sophomore
1st in Spanish I.
1st in English 10.
Academically: Tied for first place with
Carol Coffey.

Terry Meska: Freshman
1st in English 9
1st in Geometry
First, academically



Connie Meska: Junior
1st in English 11
1st in Math IV
1st in U.S. History
2nd in Spanish II
Academically: First



Nancy Park: Junior
2nd in English II
2nd in Typing I
1st in French II
Academically: Second



Janice Oman: Senior
Betty Crocker Award
2nd in English 12
1st in Math V
Readers Digest Award
Academically: Second



Pam Swarner: Senior
1st in English 12
Academically: First

Academic Honors . . .



Bryan Borg: Junior
Publications Award for the
newspaper.



Sue Pope: Sophomore
1st in Spanish II



Terry Renner: 8th
1st in Algebra I
2nd in French I

The final award day at Liberty Township School was held May 26 at 8:30 a.m. The Mistress of Ceremonies was Mrs. Baker. As was traditional, the seniors entered the gym last in order to be received by the rest of the student body.

Award day always holds a special importance at Liberty. It is the day when the high standards of the school and the hard work of the students throughout the year pay off. The students that did well at Liberty Twp. will prove to be the leaders at Duneland.



Karen Weibl: Senior
1st in Bookkeeping
1st in Shorthand II



Mary Ann Beil: Freshman
2nd in English 9
2nd in Algebra I
1st in French I
Academically: 2nd

Freshmen



Class Officers

President--Ron Cornett

V. President--Tom Corbin

Secretary--Carol Goin

Treasurer--Dick Bettin

S. Council--Greg Rex



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FRESHMEN



Adams,
Roosanna
Beike, Walter
Bettin,
Richard
Boren,
Michael
Briggs, Frank
Brunican,
Danny

Burress, Alan
Carlson,
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Christensen,
Lynda
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Esserman,
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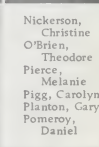


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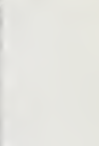
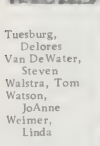
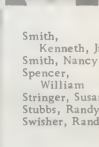
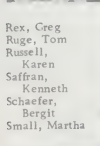
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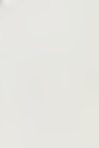
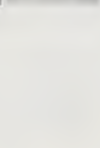
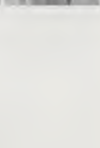
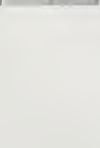
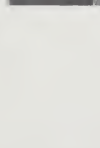
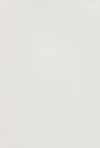
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JEFF WILSON

Class Vice-Pres.; Student Council 4; Chef's Club 2; Booster Club 1,2,3,4; French Club 2,3,4; Campus Life Club 1,2,3,4; Future Teachers 2,3; Lettermen Club 3,4; Baseball 1,2; Basketball 1,2,3,4; Track 1,4; Cross Country 4; Volleyball Team 3,4; Musicals 2,3; Newspaper 4.



JOY SAMPSON

Class Sec. 4; Lionettes 1,2,3,4; Home Ec Club 1,2,3,4; Spanish Club 1,2 (Vice Pres.); 3,4; Booster Club 1,2,3,4; Campus Life 1,2,3,4; GAA 1,2; Class Tourneys 1,2,3,4; Musicals 1,2,3.



PERRY JARED

Class Treasurer 4; Spanish Club 1,2,3,4; Booster Club 1,2,3,4; Future Teachers 2,3; Wrestling 4; Baseball 2,3; Chiefs Club 1,2,3; Chorus 1,2,3,4; Office Aid 4; Class Tourneys 2,3,4.

RODGER ABATIE

Campus Life Club 1,2,3,4; Future Teachers 2,3; Chef's Club 2,3; Band 1,2,3; Chorus 1,2,3,4; Wrestling 2,3; French Club 1,2,3,4; Booster Club 1,2,3,4; Class Tourneys 4; Musicals 1,2,3,4; Cross Country 1; Pep Band 2,3.



CONNIE ALEXANDER

Librarians Club 1,2,3,4; Home Ec. Club 1; French Club 1.

SUE ANDERSON

Home Ec. Club 1,2,3,4; Spanish Club 1,2,3,4; G.A.A. 1,2 (Treas.); Student Council 2; Lionettes 1,2,3,4; Musicals 1,2,3,4; Office Aid 4; Cadet Teaching 4; Campus Life Club 1,2,3; Booster Club 1,2,3; Class Tourneys 1,2,3,4.



BILL BAKER

Intramurals 1,2; Chef's Club 1,2; Campus Life Club 2,3; Booster Club 1,2; Class Tourneys 1,2,3.

VIRGINIA BEIKE

Library Club 3,4 (Pres.); Home Ec Club 3; Campus Life 1,2,3,4; GAA 1; Booster Club 1,2,4; Class Tourneys 2,3,4; Musicals 1,2,3,4; Belles and Beaux 2,3,4; Debate Club 3; Chorus 1,2,3,4; Annual Staff 4; Newspaper Staff 4; Music Lettermen 3,4; French Club 1.



CAROLYN CARLSON

Spanish Club 1,2,3,4; Student Council 3; Booster Club 1,2,3,4; Chorus 2,4; Musicals 1,2,3,4; Gymleaders 2 (Vice-Pres.); Lionettes 1,2,3,4 (Captain); Homecoming Queen Candidate 2,4 (Miss Congeniality); Class Secretary 2,3.



DEBRA CARLSON

Booster Club 1,2,3,4; Chorus 1,2,3,4;
Campus Life Club 3,4; Lionettes 1,2;
Spanish Club 1,2,3,4; Home Ec. Club
1,2,3; Class Tournaments 1; G.A.A. 1,2;
Musicals 1,2,3,4.

RICHARD CARR

Booster Club 2,3,4; Baseball 2,3; Chef's
Club 2,3; Spanish Club 2,3,4; FTA 4;
Campus Life 2,3,4.



CAROL CHRISTENSEN

Lionettes 2,3,4; Campus Life 1,2,3; Fu-
ture Nurses 1,2,3,4; Home Ec. Club 1,2,
3,4; Booster Club 1,2,3,4; Chorus 2,4;
Prom Princess 3; French Club 1.

RUTH CONRICK

GAA 1; Library Club 1,2,3,4; Booster
Club 1,2,3,4; Home Ec. Club 2,3.



CANDACE DOLER

Band 1,2,3,4 (Sec.); Chorus 3,4; Music-
als 1,2,3; French Club 1,2,3,4; Student
Council 3; National Honor Society 3,4
(Vice-Pres.); Future Nurses 1,2,3,4;
Gymnastic team 1,2; Debate team 1,3;
GAA 1,2; Homecoming Queen candidate
4; Belles of Beaux 3,4; Class Tournaments
1,3,4; Office Aid 3,4; Booster Club;
Campus Life 3,4.

GEORGE DOTLICH

EDWARD FEECE

Band 1,2,3,4; Chorus 1,2,3; Belles & Beaux; Basketball 1,2,3,4; Baseball 1,2,3,4; Track 2,3; Musicals 1,2,3,4; Athletic Letterman 2,3,4 (Vice-Pres.); Student Council 4; Annual Staff 4; Chef's Club 2,3; Booster Club 1,2,3,4; Campus Life Club 1,2,3,4 (pres.); Music Letterman 1,2,3,4; Librarian Club 4; Future Teachers 2,3,4; Pep Band 1,2; World Affairs Tour Candidate 3; Prom Prince 3; Volleyball 2,3; Class Pres. 3; Class Treas. 1.



BILL FRANK

Booster Club 1,2,3,4; Intramurals 1,2; Chorus 1,2,3,4; Chef's Club 2,3; Spanish Club 3,4; Musicals 1,2,3.

ANNA FREDERICK

Campus Life 3,4; Girl Scouts 1,2,3,4; Band 1,2,3, (sec.), 4; Chorus 1,2,3,4; Music Letter Men 1,2,3,4; G.A.A. 1,2; French Club 1,2,3,4; Pep Club 1,2,3,4; Belles & Beaux 2,3,4; Future Teachers 3,4; Office Aid 4; Musical Plays 1,2,4; (make-up) 1,2,3,4.



LORETTA GAINES

Band 1,2,3,4; Chorus 1,2,3,4; Belles & Beaux 1,2,3,4; Student Council 1,2; Annual Staff 3; G.A.A. 1,2; French Club 1,2,3,4; Musicals 1,2,3,4; Class Tourneys 1,3,4; Campus Life 3,4; Homecoming Queen Candidate 1,3; Booster Club 1,2,3,4; Debate Team 1,3; Gymnastics Team 1.

LARRY GARLAND

Baseball 1,2,3,4; Basketball 2,3,4; Track 1,2,3,4; Lettermen Club 2,3,4; Volleyball 3,4; Intramurals 2; Class Tourney 2; Chef's Club 1,2; Booster Club 2.



BRUCE GROPP

Basketball 1,2,3,4; Baseball 1,2,3,4; Musicals 1,2,4; Student Council 2,4; Librarian Club 4; Future Teacher Club 1,2,3; Chef's Club 2,3; Spanish Club 1,2,3,4; Chorus 1,2,3,4; Booster Club 1,2,3,4; Golf 3,4; Athletic Lettermen 2,3,4; Science Club 1,2; Annual Staff 4; Class Vice-President 3.



DAVE HACK

Annual Staff 3; Newspaper Staff 1,2,3,4; Chef's Club 1,2.



BONNIE HENDERLONG

Library 1,2; Office Aid 3; Future Teachers 3; Home Ec 1,2,3; Spanish Club 1,3; Publications Staff 2,3; Campus Life Club 1,3; Chorus 1,3; Booster Club 1,2,3; GAA 1; Class V.P. 2; Homecoming 3.



CECIL JENKINS

Track 3; Cross Country 2; Booster Club 2,3; Chef's Club 1,2.



ROBERT KIBBLE

Class Tournaments 4; Chef's Club 2,3; Campus Life Club 3.



PATRICIA KOLIC

Chesterton 1,2,3; Chorus 1,3; Cre-sendas 3; Trojanners 3; Latin Club 1,2; FTA 2; FBLA 3; Boosters 1,2,3; FHA 2 (Sec.), 3 (Vice-Pres.); Liberty 4; Chorus 4; Office Aid 4; Musical 4.



DOUG LA HAYNE

Track 1,2; Cross Country 2,4; Wrestling 2,3,4; Athletic Lettermen 3,4; Chef's Club 2,3; Campus Life Club 3,4; Booster Club 1,2.

ROGER LEADY



KARLENE McKEE

Home Ec Club 1,2,3,4; Lionettes 1,2,4; French Club 1,2,3; Chorus 1,2,3,4 (V.P.); Library Club 4; Class Tourneys 1,2,3; Campus life 1,2,3,4; Booster Club 1,2,3,4; Office Aid 3,4; Student Council 4; Christmas Queen 4; Homecoming Candidate 4; Musicals 1,2,3,4 (Student Director).

EVELYN MARTIN

Chorus 1,2,3,4; (pres. 3) Spanish Club 1,2,3,4; Newspaper Reporter 1; Booster Club 1,2 (sec.), 3,4 (pres.); G.A.A. 1,2,3; Band 2,3,4; National Honor Society 2,3,4; Musicals 1,2,3,4; Gym Leader 3 (sec.); Future Teachers 3,4 (pres.); Student Council 3,4; Campus Life Club 3,4; Athletic Council 3(sec.), 4 (sec.); Class Tourney 1,4; Girls State Delegate 3.



JUAN MONTES

Newspaper Staff 1,2; Yearbook Staff 3; Track 1; Baseball 1,2; Spanish Club 4; Intramurals 1; Chef's Club 2,3; Booster Club 1,2,3.

DAVID O'CONNOR



JANICE OMAN

National Honor Society 2,3,4; Band 1,2,3,4 Vice Pres.; Future Teachers 2,3,4; (Secretary); Home Ec Club 2,3; French Club 1,2,3,4; Booster Club 1,2,3,4; Student Council 4; Campus Life 3,4; Betty Crocker Award 4; Gymleader 1,2; GAA 1,2; Debate Club 1,3.





DAVID PATRICK

ROBERT PHARES

Student Council 3,4 (Pres.); Cross Country 1,2,3,4; Track 1,2,3; Basketball 1; Wrestling 2,3; Athletic Letterman 1,2,3,4; Athletic Council 3,4 (Vice Pres.); Intramurals 3; Class Tourneys 2,3,4; Class Officer 1,2; Library Club 4; Booster Club 1,2,3,4; Campus Life Club 3,4; Annual Staff 3,4 (Editor); Band 1,2,3,4; Chorus 1,2,3,4; Belles & Beaux 2,3,4; Musicals 1,2,3,4; Music Letterman 2,3,4.



JIM POPE

Booster Club 1,2,3,4; Baseball 1,2,3,4; Basketball 1,2,3,4; Chef's Club 2; Class Tourney 2; Spanish Club 2,3,4; Lettermen Club 2,3,4; Musicals 1,2,3.

LARRY POPE

Student Council 4 (V-Pres.); Basketball 1,2,3,4; Track 1,2; Baseball 1,2,3,4; Chorus 2,3,4; Musicals 1,2,3,4; Band 1,2,3,4; Class Treasurer 2,3; Booster Club 1,2,3,4; Spanish Club 2,3,4; Chef's Club 2.



ELLEN RATTRAY

National Honor Society 2,3,4; Student Council 4; French Club 1,2,3,4; GAA 1,2; Lionettes 1,2,3,4; Campus Life Club 1,2,3,4; Booster Club 1,2,3; Home Ec Club 1,2,3; Future Teachers 1,2; Christmas Queen Court 3; Homecoming Candidate 3.

TOM REIGLE

BRUCE RUGE

Band 1,2,3,4; Chorus 1,2,3,4 (pres.); Future Teachers 2,3; Athletic Lettermen 3,4; Booster Club 1,2,3,4; Chef's Club 2,3; Pep Band 3,4; Student Council 4; Annual Staff 4; Musicals 1,2,3,4; Campus Life 3,4; Library Club 4; Boy's State Representative 4; Cross Country 1; Golf 2,3,4; Basketball 1; Wrestling Manager 2,3,4; Track 1; Class Tournaments 2,3,4; Intramurals 2; Music Letterman 2,3,4.



KEN RUGE

Band 1,2,3,4; Chorus 1,2,3,4; Belles & Beaux 1,2,3,4; Athletic Manager 1,2,3,4; Athletic Letterman 3,4; Booster Club 1,2,3,4; Chef's Club 2,3; Pep Band 1,2,4; Musicals 1,4; Campus Life Club 1,2,3,4; Library Club 1,2,3,4; Golf 3,4; Cross Country 1; Basketball 1; Music Letterman 2,3,4; Newspaper Staff 1,2,3; Visual Aids 2,3,4.

ISABEL SALAS

Lionettes 4; Chorus 4; Campus Life 4.



TOM SAMS

TOM SLONT

Band 1,2,3,4; Pep Band 1,2,3,4; Intramurals 1,2,3; Chef's Club 2,3; Chorus 1,2; Track 1,2; Class Tournaments 1,2,3; Band President 4; Music Letterman 1,2,3,4; Campus Life Club 1,2,3.



SHARON STILL

Booster Club 1,2,3; French Club 1,2,3,4; G.A.A. 1,2; Campus Life Club 1,2,3,4; Musicals 1,2; Band 1,2; Class Tournaments 1,2,3; Office Aid 3,4; French Club 1,2; Athletic Secretary 3,4.



PAMELA SWARNER

National Honor Society 2,3,4; Band 1,2,3,4; Chorus 1,2,3,4; Musicals 1,2,3,4; Belles & Beaux 3,4; French Club 1,2,3,4; Booster Club 1,2,3,4; F.N.A. 1,2,3,4; Student Council 2,3; Campus Life Club 3,4; DAR Award 4; Debate Club 1,3; GAA 1,2.

JAMES THOMAS



SHEILA WAGNER

Portage High School 1,2; Band 1,2,3,4; Chorus 1,2,3,4; Pep Band 1,2,3; Booster Club 1,2,3,4; Art Club 2; Class Tourneys 4; Musicals 3,4; Campus Life Club 3,4.

STORM WALLIN

Home Ec. Club 1,2,3,4; Future Teachers 3; Future Nurses 4; Office Aid 3,4; Spanish Club 1; Annual Staff 4; GAA 2; Booster Club 1,2,3,4; Chorus 1; Class Tourneys 1,2,3; Lionettes 2; Musicals 1,2,3; Campus Life Club 2,3,4.



DELBERT WATSON

Booster Club 1,2,3 (pres.), 4; Spanish Club 1; Chef's Club 2,3; Intramurals 1,2,3; Class Tourneys 1,2,3,4; Campus Life Club 3; Musical 2.

KAREN WEIBL

Lionettes 1,2,3,4; French Club 1,2,3,4; Home Ec. Club 1,2,3,4; Booster Club 1,2,3,4; National Honor Society 3,4; GAA 1,2; Campus Life Club 1,2,3,4; Chorus 1,2,3,4; Gymleader 1,2; Office Aids 3,4; Musicals 1,3,4 (Assistant Choreographer).

SHARON WHETZEL

Booster Club 1,2,3; Home Ec Club 1,2;
French Club 1,2; Campus Life Club 1,2,
3,4; Future Teachers 1,2.



KAREN WILLIAMS

Valparaiso High School 1,2; Chorus 1,2,
3,4; Spanish Club 3,4; Pep Club 1,2,3,4;
CAA 1; Office Aid 4; Belles & Beaus 3;
Campus Life Club 3,4.

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Light Blue

Dark Blue

Class Flower:

White Rose

Class Motto:

*Man Has Reached the Moon . . .
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Baccalaureate . . . Our First Step



The recessional . . . and it's halfway done.



The chapel gave a special rever to bacc.



The girls relax afterwards.



"A time for joy, a time for tears."



Bob Kibble shows a little doubt.



Bacc. held mixed emotions.

The First Day of . . .



The final victory.



G. Polsgrove and S. Shaw enter the gym.

Rick Carr prepares for the big moment.



Friends speak together for the last time.



E. Brickner, K. McKee, and B. Ruge in reception line.



The reception line and its "congratulations".

The 1969 Liberty High School Baccalaureate was held at the Valparaiso University Chapel. The Chapel provided a beautiful setting, and left everyone hushed by its elegance. The graduates walked slowly down the long center aisle in their light and dark blue gowns. The invocation sermon, and benediction were given by Reverend Norman Nagel, Dean of the Chapel.

Graduation this year was something very special. Of course, it meant that another class was taking the big step from high school to college or a job, but it was more than just this. This year was the last year that any class will graduate from Liberty. In effect, all of the students of Liberty were taking a big step into a larger world.

The emotions that existed at graduation were the ones that have applied to such a situation since the beginning of time--hope, fear, insecurity, and a wonderful, indescribable feeling that something important was happening.

The class of '69 was the end of Liberty, but there will be no end to her memory. These things, these memories, are ours forever.



The platform committee.

The Rest of Our Lives



The girls await their entrance.



The senior girls--victory at last.



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The girls held white roses--the class flower.



Bob Kibble receives congratulations.



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